

Memo

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Re: Terms of Reference All

Federation Comparisons

The following information was collected a few months ago and would need to be updated:

Federation	N.S.W.	Qld	SA	Victoria	WA
No of members	90	44	24	62	45
Potential members	1000	180	66	650	54
Members as % of potential	9%	24.44%	36.37%	9.54%	83.33%
Membership fees	Minimum \$25 Maximum \$6000	Minimum \$25 Maximum \$2500	Minimum \$50 Maximum \$300 Three co-ops pay \$300 and most pay between \$100-150	Minimum \$50 Maximum \$3000	Minimum \$120 Maximum \$6000
Membership growth	Stable with 19 of 20 top co-ops	14 co-ops pay \$2500 (\$35,000)	Stable but membership is up on 2-	Stable	Stable with most co-ops members.

	members	Looking at increasing maximum to \$2650 but not others although did consider a flat increase of 5%	3 years ago.		Some co-ops who are not members are very small. There are only trading co-ops in WA.
Staff	Consultant part time – equivalent three days per week.		No. Secretary is paid \$2000 per annum.	Consultant part-time. – equivalent one day per week.	
Newsletter frequency	Four times a year	At least twice a year – not more than 4.	Three times a year	Currently six times a year but subject to review.	No newsletter. Last published two years ago
Newsletter distribution	120	180 Distributed to all co-ops. Frequency depends on meaty issues.	50	600 +	Nil
Newsletter advertising	No		No		No
Conferences	Annual or Key Issues		Annual	Irregular	